

City of Shannon Hills, Arkansas  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Mar 13, 2007

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

Mayor Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present were Mayor Davis, Aldermen Robin Baker, Mike Kemp, Toni Cobb, James Smith and Dave Holsomback and Recorder-Treasurer Curt Wilson. City Attorney Patrick Benca was absent.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Alderman Cobb to accept the minutes for February 13, 2007, as printed. The motion received a second from Alderman Smith. The motion was approved via voice vote with no opposition.

**Financial Report:** Recorder-Treasurer Wilson presented the financial report for February 2007. Financial summary was:

General Fund:

Checking account.....	\$13,779.72
Undeposited Cash .....	\$ 99.91
Reserve Fund .....	<u>\$31,430.29</u>
Total General Fund ...	\$45,309.92

General Fund Revenue....	\$41,364.14
General Fund Expenditures	<u>\$43,667.75</u>
Net loss	(2,303.61)

Payroll Fund .....	\$ 875.13
Reader Board Fund ...	\$ 602.41

Street Fund:

Checking Account .....	\$66,636.27
Undeposited Cash .....	\$ 193.66
Reserve Fund .....	<u>\$35,886.60</u>
Total Street fund .....	<u>\$102,716.53</u>

Street Fund Revenue....	\$11,342.39
Street Fund Expenditures	\$ 4,901.52

A motion was made by Alderman Cobb to accept the financial report as presented. Alderman Holsomback provided a second. The motion was approved via voice vote with no opposition.

**Department Head Reports:**

The Department heads submitted written reports. Those reports are on file in the office of the Recorder-Treasurer and are available to any interested parties.

**Special Announcement from County Prosecutor Ken Casady:**

Saline County Prosecutor, Ken Casady and Vince Shataw of the Prosecutors office announced their appreciation for the assistance they have received from the Shannon Hills Police Department in the ongoing war on drugs. Chief Friend announced that two “drug seized” vehicles were being put to use by the department. One was available for viewing, the other was being painted and will be available to see in a couple days. Both County Officials left following the announcement.

**Filling Vacant Council Seat for Ward 3, Position 2:**

Seven citizens asked to be considered for the vacant alderman position in ward 3. Mayor Davis described the process that would be used and then presented the candidates. They were:

Andy Taylor  
Bobby lee Makelyea (not in attendance)  
Greg Lauanis  
Evelyn Cador  
Beverly Williamson  
LaTonya Subor (not in attendance)  
Mathew Quinn

Each candidate, who was present, spoke briefly and made themselves available to answer questions. Following the presentations the sitting Aldermen prepared written ballots with each Alderman listing a first and second choice. When the balloting was completed, Recorder-Treasurer Wilson and Public Works Director David Passmore tallied the votes.

On the first ballot, Mathew Quinn and Evelyn Cador were tied for first place and a second vote was required. In the runoff vote Ms Cador received the nomination by a vote of 3 to 2.

Following the vote Ms Cador was sworn in as Alderman of Ward 3 position 2 and took her seat on the Council.

Alderman Baker was not feeling well and left the meeting at 7:17pm.

**Old Business:****Item 1: Second vote on Ordinance 2007-03. Annexing 17 acres located on Vimy Ridge Road into the city.****Second Reading:**

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp to approve the Ordinance. Alderman Holsomback provided a second. Recorder-Treasurer Wilson read the ordinance Title.

In a roll call vote, Aldermen Kemp, Smith, Holsomback, and Cador voted “Yes,” Alderman Cobb voted “No.” With 4 “Yes” and 1 “No” votes the motion was approved.

**Item 2: Second vote on Ordinance 2007-06. Abolishing the Shannon Hills City Court and Creating the Shannon Hills Division of the Saline County District Court.**

Second Reading:

A motion was made by Alderman Kemp to approve the Ordinance. Alderman Smith provided a second. Recorder-Treasurer Wilson Read the ordinance Title.

In a roll call vote, Aldermen Cobb, Smith, Holsomback, Cador and Kemp voted "Yes." There were no opposing votes. With 5 "Yes" and 0 "No" votes the motion was approved.

**Item 3: Discussion about Planning Commission:** (Tabled at Feb 13 meeting)

Alderman Cobb made a motion to remove the topic from the table. A second was provided by Alderman Holsomback. In a voice vote the motion was approved.

Alderman Cobb presented opening comments and related several concerns about how the Planning Commission was operating. Concerns listed included perceptions that the commission was not taking active involvement in issues when they should be involved, Meetings not being held in a regular schedule, Minutes not being maintained when meetings were held, etc.. Ensuing conversation covered a variety of topics and concerns relative to zoning, business locations and planning commission involvement. Several citizens, including past and current members of the Planning Commission made comments relative to the performance of the Commission.

Alderman Kemp made a motion that the Mayor take into consideration the issues that have been brought up today and to look at ways to positively address them. This motion dies for lack of a second as discussion continued.

Alderman Smith made a motion to table the issue with intent to bring it up again at the April 2007 regular meeting. The motion received a second from Alderman Holsomback. The motion was approved by voice vote. There were no opposing votes.

**New Business:**

**Item 4: Resolution 2007-05. A Resolution appointing Stacey Cook as Court Clerk for Shannon Hills City Court/ Shannon Hills Division of Saline County District Court with all necessary powers to perform said job.**

A motion to approve Resolution 2007-05 was made by Alderman Kemp. A second was provided by Alderman Smith.

Recorder Wilson Read the Resolution in its entirety. Following a brief Discussion, a roll call vote produced the following result Alderman Holsomback, Cador, Kemp, Cobb & Smith voted "Yes," There were no opposing votes. Alderman Baker left the meeting at 7:17pm and was not available to vote on this issue.

**Comments:**

Citizen Ms. Tuggle commented about the progress and success in clean up efforts around the city.

Citizen Ken Petty Also spoke about the clean up on property near his house and how much better it looked.

Mr. Miller asked if I would look up an ordinance for him after the meeting. Recorder-Treasurer agreed to comply with the request.

Citizen Billy Workman spoke about a drainage problem on his property in Southfork. Additional discussion followed concerning who is responsible for maintenance in the problem area.

Alderman Cobb asked how Tim Lemons Engineering Firm became involved in all of the development in Shannon Hills. Mayor Davis stated that he was simply a well known engineer and had done work for several cities in central Arkansas and that Lemons' firm consistently provided the low bid and had always provided quality work.

**A Motion to Adjourn** was made by Alderman Kemp. A second was supplied by Alderman Holsomback. Motion was approved by voice vote with no opposition.

The Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Larance Davis, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Curt Wilson, Recorder-Treasurer